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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioners for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 5, 2006 for which a shortened statutory period of three months ending August 5, 2006 was set in which to respond, the following amendments and comments are submitted and reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that in view of the attached Certificate of Mailing this response is timely.

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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